

Amendments to the Claims:

1. **(Currently amended)** A method of manufacturing a granulated body for absorbing excrement of animals, characterized in that a dry bamboo fiber and a wood fiber are used as chief material; ~~said comprising: mixing dry bamboo fiber fibers and wood fiber are mixed fibers with each other while adding moisture thereto and said allowing the dry bamboo fiber is allowed fibers to absorb the moisture to form a resultant; the resultant is granulated granulating the resultant to form a wet granulated body; and blowing hot air is blown to said the wet granulated body; said to cause the moisture absorbed in said the dry bamboo fiber is fibers to be transpired outward through said the wet granulated body by said the hot air; and a porous structure in said dry bamboo fiber in said wet granulated body is reproduced by said transpiration and an infinite number of, to thereby cause transpiring paths are to be formed in said the wet granulated body to obtain a porous structure in the dry bamboo fibers in the wet granulated body.~~
2. **(Currently amended)** A method of manufacturing a granulated body for absorbing excrement of animals, characterized in that a ~~comprising: providing~~ dry bamboo fiber is used fibers as a chief material; ~~adding~~ moisture is added to the ~~said~~ dry bamboo fiber so as ~~fibers~~ to allow the moisture to be absorbed therein to form a resultant; ~~granulating~~ the resultant is granulated to form a wet granulated body; ~~and blowing~~ hot air is blown to ~~said the~~ wet granulated body; ~~said to cause the~~ moisture absorbed in ~~said the~~ dry bamboo fiber is ~~fibers~~ to be transpired outward through ~~said the~~ wet granulated body by ~~said the~~ hot air; and a porous structure in ~~said~~ dry bamboo fiber in ~~said~~ wet granulated body is reproduced by ~~said~~ transpiration and an infinite number of, ~~to thereby cause~~ transpiring paths are ~~to be~~ formed in ~~said the~~ wet granulated body to obtain a porous structure ~~in the dry bamboo fibers in the wet granulated body.~~
3. **(Currently amended)** A method of manufacturing a granulated body for absorbing excrement of animals, characterized in that a ~~comprising: providing~~ dry bamboo fiber ~~fibers~~ and

wood fiber are used fibers as chief material materials; mixing a water sensitive coagulant composed of powder is mixed therewith with the dry bamboo fibers and the wood fibers to form a resultant; admixing the resultant is admixed in a no hydraulic non-hydraulic state; and compression-molding the resultant is compression molded to form a granulated body having a fixed shape such that a porous structure is enriched in said provided to the fixed-shape granulated body by said the dry bamboo fiber fibers.

4. **(Currently amended)** A method of manufacturing a granulated body for absorbing excrement of animals, characterized in that a comprising: providing dry bamboo fiber is used fibers as a chief material; mixing a water sensitive coagulant composed of powder is mixed therewith with the bamboo fibers to form a resultant; admixing the resultant is admixed in a no hydraulic non-hydraulic state; compression-molding the resultant is compression molded to form a granulated body having a fixed shape such that a porous structure is enriched in said provided to the fixed-shape granulated body by said the dry bamboo fiber fibers.